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MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL LEANING PANEL WALL PROJECT (Corps' NON-Notify Project), LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL, CITY OF LONG BEACH, LOS ANGELES COUNTY (File No. 10-139)

Dear Mr. Bordas:

We are in receipt of your email dated October 4, 2010, requesting modification of your Conditional Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) for the subject project issued on October 1, 2010.

As we understand, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (Applicant) is requesting to correct the description for this project. The application package submitted for the proposed project included the replacement of a concrete invert slab, and this was inadvertently not included in the Project Description of the WQC. The revised project description, as follows, will include the addition of work to replace the concrete invert slab.

In response to your request, Item 7 of Attachment A (Project Description) shall be replaced in its entirety to read:

7. Project Description:

The proposed project is located within the Cerritos Channel, approximately 550 feet upstream (west) of Los Coyotes Boulevard and just south of Spring Street. The northerly (left bank) channel wall is offset at the construction joint between Stations 22+50 and 23+00. The channel wall is displaced from 1 to 5 inches from 2.5 feet above the invert at the top elevation.

A 50-foot section of channel wall will be replaced within the fully concrete-lined channel. The channel is completely dry and the project is anticipated to be completed prior to the storm season of 2010. If storms should occur, the Applicant will be implementing a Surface Water Diversion Plan to ensure no impacts to water quality occur due to the proposed project construction.

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In addition, a 7-foot by 50-foot section of concrete slab invert will be replaced in-kind.

The channel cross-section and capacity will not be modified by the project.

I have determined that the proposed modifications do not constitute a significant change in the nature or scope of the activities described for the project in your original application. Therefore, no additional action by this agency pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act is necessary. This determination is limited to the proposed request contained in your notification to this Regional Board dated October 4, 2010 and described herein, and does not eliminate the Applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable laws, requirements and/or permits.

Should you have questions concerning this certification action, please contact Valerie Carrillo, Lead. Section 401 Program, at (213) 576-6759.

Sincerely,

Samuel Unger
Executive Officer

Attached: Distribution List

Oct. 11, 2010

Date